[CHAPTER 294]

AN ACT

Providing for the suspension of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the United States, including the Territory of Alaska.

May 1, 16-16 [H. R. 6604] [Public Law 542]

Mining claims. Suspension of assess-

ment work.
30 U. S. C. § 28.
Post, p. 647.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provision of section 2324 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, which requires on each mining claim located, and until a patent has been issued therefor, not less than \$100 worth of labor to be performed or improvements aggregating such amount to be made each year, be, and the same is hereby, suspended as to all mining claims in the United States, including the Territory of Alaska, during the years beginning at 12 o'clock meridian July 1, 1941, and ending at 12 o'clock meridian July 1, 1943: Provided, That every claimant of any such mining claim, in order to obtain the benefits of this Act, shall file, or cause to be filed, in the office where the location notice or certificate is recorded, on or before 12 o'clock meridian July 1, 1942, and July 1, 1943, a notice of his desire to hold said mining claim under this Act: Provided further, That such suspension of assessment work shall not apply to more than six lode-mining claims held by the same person, nor to more than twelve lode-mining claims held by the same partnership, association, or corporation.

Provisos.

Approved, May 7, 1942.

[CHAPTER 295]

AN ACT

To permit appeals by the United States to the circuit courts of appeals in certain cases.

May 9, 1942 [H. R. 139] [Public Law 543]

U. S. Courts.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act approved March 2, 1907, entitled "An Act providing for writs of error in certain instances in criminal cases" (34 Stat. 1246; U. S. C., title 18, sec. 682), be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

"That an appeal may be taken by and on behalf of the United States

States in all criminal cases in the following instances, to wit:

"From a decision or judgment quashing, setting aside, or sustaining a demurrer or plea in abatement to any indictment or information, or any count thereof, where such decision or judgment is based upon the invalidity or construction of the statute upon which the indictment or information is founded.

from the district courts direct to the Supreme Court of the United

"From a decision arresting a judgment of conviction for insufficiency of the indictment or information, where such decision is based upon the invalidity or construction of the statute upon which the

indictment or information is founded.

"From the decision or judgment sustaining a special plea in bar,

when the defendant has not been put in jeopardy.

"An appeal may be taken by and on behalf of the United States from the district courts to a circuit court of appeals or the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, as the case may be, in all criminal cases, in the following instances, to wit:

"From a decision or judgment quashing, setting aside, or sustaining a demurrer or plea in abatement to any indictment or information, or any count thereof except where a direct appeal to the Supreme Court

of the United States is provided by this Act.

Appeals to U.S. Supreme Court in certain criminal cases.

Appeals to circuit courts of appeals in certain criminal cases.